1	2	3	4
3.	Assam	14,263	3,56,575
4.	Bihar	53,530	13,38,250
5.	Gujarat	1,480	37,000
6.	J & K	2,771	69,275
7.	Madhya Pradesh	35,960	8,99,000
8.	Manipur	4,012	1,00,300
9.	Mizoram	200	5,000
10.	Orissa	33,104	8,27,600
11.	Rajasthan	19,246	4,81,150
12.	Tamil Nadu	3,260	81,500
13.	U.P.	65,181	16,29,525
14.	Chandigarh	105	2,625
15.	D & N Haveli	100	2,500
16.	Haryana	640	16,000
17.	Himachal Pradesh	350	8,750
18.	Karnataka	827	20,675
19.	Maharashtra	2,165	54,125
20.	West Bengal	1,010	25,250
21.	Delhi	250	6,250
	Total	2,779,799	69,94,975

Note: Of these, 6,772 Centres are at upper Primary level.

Shifting of Institute of Advance Studies, Shimla

4527. SHRI ASHOK MITRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal is afoot to shift the Indian Institute of Advance Studies at Shimla from the former Viceregal Lodge to eleswhere;

(b) whether the scholars attached to the Institute have been consulted in the matter; and

(c) in the event of the Institute is moved out of the Viceregal Lodge, whether the building will be placed under the care of Archaeological Survey of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) In a Public Interest Litigation, presently under consideration of Supreme Court, one of the prayer is to retain the Institution in its existing premises at Shimla. The matter is, accordingly, under sub-judice.

Smuggling of Indian Antiques

4528. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent revealation about the involvement of some foreign auction houses in the smuggling of Indian antiques from the country; and

(b) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Archaeological Survey of India has initiated necessary steps to assess the whole matter in close coordination with other concerned agencies like Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Ministry of External Affairs, Indian High Commission at London, Central Board of Excise &

Customs and the Ministry of Home Affairs. The Indian High Commission at London have also been requested to find out as to how these antiquities have been collected for auction there so that specific cases can be instituted in the courts abroad for their retrieval. The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence who are investigating the instant case in India, have been provided with the available evidence regarding the theft of antiquities/art objects so as to facilitate the investigation on priority basis. The Ministry of External Affairs has been requested to enquire into the alleged involvement of the diplomats in the illicit trafficking of Indian antiquities.

Shikshakarmi Project

4529. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States where 'Shikshakarmi Project' has been launched;

(b) whether, under the aforesaid scheme, the Panchayats are empowered to recruit Shikshakarmis;

(c) if so, whether Government have come across some cases of irregularities in the recruitment of Shikshakarmis in District Panchayat Chanderi in Guna District of Madhya Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken by Government to ensure that only trained candidates belonging to the concerned villages are recruited as Shikshakarmis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) Shikshakarmi Project (SKP) is being implemented in the State of Rajasthan since 1987 with assistance from Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA). The project identifies teacher absenteeism as a major obstacle in universalisation of primary education and engages local youth with requisite qualifications as Shikshakarmis in consultation with local community to teach in primary schools.

Government of Madhya Pradesh has separately initiated a scheme under which Zila and Janpad Panchayats appoint Shikshakarmis in primary schools in lieu of regularly recruited teachers.

(c) and (d) According to Government of Madhya Pradesh, they have no information so far regarding irregularities, if any, in recruitment done in Chanderi Panchayat of Guna District under the scheme.

(e) In Madhya Pradesh all eligible candidates whether trained or untrained, are considered for appointment as Shikshakarmis. However, training is provided to such Shikshakarmis.

Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range

4530. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the rude, arrogant and negative attitude of top officials of Dr. Karni Singh Shooting range, towards shooters;

(b) if so, whether any complaint/ representation has been received in this regard, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have examined the complaints;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken to create a good atmosphere for shooters at the said range?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI R. DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN): (a) to (c) Sir, a complaint was received by